

**CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION**  
**SIXTY-SECOND MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**HELD TUESDAY, 14 APRIL 1987, AT 8:00 P.M.**  
**IN ROOM H-333-6, HALL BUILDING, SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS CAMPUS**

**DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING:**

- BD-62-D1: Women's Centre Proposal  
BD-62-D2: Responsibilities of Academic Staff with Regard to Students  
BD-62-D3: Proposed Resolution Regarding Association of University Students of El Salvador

**1 Appointment of Acting Chairperson:**

MOVE to appoint John Moore as Acting Chairperson of the Board of Directors.

Moved by: Robert Douglas  
Seconded by: Alex MacPherson

VOTE:

16/0/1 Carried.

**2.1 Roll Call:**

**PRESENT:**

**Co-Presidents:**

Maxine Clarke  
Robert Douglas

**Commerce:**

Andrew Boosamra  
Cherine Hamam (8:15)  
Evangelos Mylonakis (8:20)

**Engineering:**

Martin Corej  
Louis Hotte  
Stefan Potocki

**Arts and Science:**

Marijan Benc  
Thomas Burnside  
Glen Cheverie  
Paul Gott  
Andrew Jolicoeur  
Alex MacPherson  
Andrew Madsen  
Shawn O'Hara  
Nick Woollard

**Fine Arts:**

Andreas Seibert  
Diane Jaime Yip

**ABSENT:**

Arts and Science: Niki Rossman, Jeffrey Gordon (W/R), Morty Shapiro (W/R), Emma Tibaldo (W/R)  
Commerce: Lianne Bastien, Mimi Bengio  
Engineering: Salomon Joe Serruya

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**Advisors to the Board Present:** Karen Takacs and Scott White, Co-Presidents 1986-87..

## 2.2 Call to Order:

Acting Chairperson John Moore called the meeting to order at 7:50 p.m.

## 3 Approval of Agenda:

MOVE to drop Items 8.2 - 8.6 from the Agenda.

Moved by: Robert Douglas  
Seconded by: Maxine Clarke

### Discussion:

Robert Douglas firstly apologized for scheduling this meeting on Passover and stated that some Directors were absent as a result of this oversight. Maxine Clarke extended her apologies as well and assured the Board that a calendar would be consulted in the future. Robert Douglas stated that he wished to delay dealing with these issues until the Board was better prepared. Paul Gott asked when the issues would be dealt with, and Robert Douglas stated that this would happen as soon as possible. Marijan Benc proposed that the meeting should be adjourned altogether. Maxine Clarke stated that there were some items that had to be dealt with immediately, such as the Board of Governors appointments, and striking the Steering Committee for the Board of Directors and the Hiring and Appointments Committee.

VOTE: 14/0/3 Carried

MOVE to add "Appointments to Steering Committee" as Item 8.2.

Moved by: Alex MacPherson  
Seconded by: Robert Douglas

VOTE: 15/0/2 Carried

MOVE to add "Appointments to Hiring and Appointments Committee" as Item 8.3.

Moved by: Maxine Clarke  
Seconded by: Robert Douglas

### Discussion:

Shawn O'Hara asked whether there would be one committee to handle all the interviews or would there be a different committee for each position. Discussion ensued concerning the enormous time

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commitment required of Directors who wished to serve on this committee, and it was generally agreed that different committees for each position would be acceptable. Alex MacPherson proposed that no appointments be made at this meeting because of the Directors who were absent because of the Jewish High Holy Day. Robert Douglas responded that all the absent Directors would be informed that the Hiring and Appointments Committees were being struck and they would be invited to volunteer. He stressed the urgency for appointing a committee at this time and not delaying it any later.

VOTE: 14/0/3 Carried

MOVE to accept the Agenda as amended.

Moved by: Maxine Clarke  
Seconded by: Robert Douglas

VOTE: 16/0/1 Carried

#### 4 Approval of Minutes:

##### 4.1 Approval of the Minutes of the Informal Meeting Held February 3, 1987:

MOVE to approve the Minutes of the Informal Meeting of the Board of Directors held February 3, 1987.

Moved by: Marijan Benc  
Seconded by: Nick Woollard

VOTE: 12/0/5 Carried

##### 4.2 Approval of the Minutes of the 60th Meeting of the Board:

MOVE to approve the Minutes of the 60th Meeting of the Board of Directors.

Moved by: Andrew Madsen  
Seconded by: Marijan Benc

#### Discussion:

Tu Thanh Ha noted that the correct spelling of the name of the McGill Anti-Apartheid Committee representative is Amy Kaler (Item 7.4, O'Keefe Boycott, Page 7).

VOTE: 13/0/4 Carried

**4.3 Approval of the Minutes of the 61st Meeting of the Board:**

MOVE to approve the Minutes of the 61st Meeting of the Board of Directors.

Moved by: Marijan Benc  
Seconded by: Robert Douglas

VOTE: 11/0/6 Carried

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**5 Acting Chairperson's Remarks:**

Acting Chairperson John Moore thanked the 1986-87 Board and Executives for their performances over the course of the year, and congratulated the new Directors on winning their seats. He stated that it was up to the Board to set the tone and policies for the administration to pursue, and welcomed the Board to be progressive.

**6 Reports:****6.1 Co-Presidents' Report:**

Maxine Clarke apologized again for the oversight of holding the meeting on Passover, and she congratulated the Directors on their successes in the elections. Robert Douglas stated that he was following the advice given to him by former Co-President Scott White, and that he was "reading everything" before commenting. He said that he hoped to present more details on CUSA's state of affairs at the next meeting.

**7 Question Period:**

Glen Cheverie asked whether the Co-Presidents had spoken with the new executive of the Engineering and Computer Science Students' Association (ECA). Louis Hotte stated that the ECA executive would take office on May 1st. Karen Takacs reported that she and Scott White had hammered out an agreement with the old executive of ECA regarding the money owed for last year and the year before. This agreement, however, still has to be ratified by both the ECA executive and CUSA executive before being presented to the Board. Glen Cheverie asked what this agreement would do for CUSA's finances, and Karen Takacs responded that it would bring in just over \$50,000. Glen Cheverie asked if the agreement was something that future arrangements could be based on, and Karen Takacs responded negatively, stating that membership has to be looked at and whether ECA students remain members of CUSA even though ECA and CUSA are separate and distinct bodies.

Shawn O'Hara asked how bad CUSA's debt is at present. Robert Douglas stated that the deficit amounts to \$216,434.69. Glen

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Cheverie stated that there would be money coming in to CUSA which could be used to eliminate part of the debt. Robert Douglas commented that nothing has been signed so that money has not yet been taken into account. Maxine Clarke stated that approximately \$203,000 would be coming to CUSA from various sources, including the Part-time Students' fund and the Cusa Centre Inc. fund. Glen Cheverie stated that some of the Cusa Centre Inc. money had been earmarked for capital expenditures, and therefore could not be used against the deficit. Karen Takacs clarified the situation, stating that this money could go to offset the deficit because one of the criteria for obtaining the money specified that it had to be used for capital expenditures during the period 1982-1987, and already at least that much money has been spent on capital expenditures. She added that \$65,000 would have to be slated for capital expenditures next year.

Shawn O'Hara asked why the Annual General Meeting was scheduled for Thursday, April 9th and then postponed. Robert Douglas responded that April 9th fell short of the seven school days' notice required by the constitution.

(8:15)

## **8 New Business:**

### **8.1 Board of Governors Appointments:**

#### **MOTION 384:**

WHEREAS both Sandra Cappelli and Faye Collins have resigned from the Board of Governors,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Diane Dyson and Lorne Gray be nominated to serve on the Board of Governors for the remainder of the 1986-87 term.

Moved by: Cherine Hamam  
Seconded by: Robert Douglas

#### **Discussion:**

Scott White explained that the Board of Governors meets every month and deals with the broad policy aspects of the University such as the library, the Capital Campaign, financial problems, etc. The term of office runs from June to June. There are between 30-35 Governors (not all seats are filled at present), and of these there are three University administration representatives (one of whom can vote), one graduate student representative and four undergraduate student representatives. There were 28 candidates who applied for the two positions. The Hiring and Appointments Committee interviewed the applicants over a month ago and highly recommend these two candidates. The first meeting that they would attend is on April 16th, and they would be representatives until June, attending a total of three meetings.

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VOTE ON MOTION 384:

UNANIMOUS

**8.2 Appointments to Steering Committee:**

Acting Chairperson John Moore stated that the Steering Committee meets the week before a Board Meeting is scheduled to go over proposals for the Agenda and to set the priorities. Ideally, the Steering Committee should be composed of the Chairperson, the Co-Presidents, and at least three Directors. The following Directors volunteered to serve on the Steering Committee: Shawn O'Hara, Nick Woollard, Alex MacPherson, Cherine Hamam and Angelo Mylonakis. Maxine Clarke stated that the Directors who were absent tonight would be contacted by John Moore to see if they had any interest in being part of the Steering Committee.

MOTION 385:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Steering Committee be comprised of the Chairperson, the Co-Presidents, and the following Directors: Cherine Hamam, Alex MacPherson, Angelo Mylonakis, Shawn O'Hara, Nick Woollard.

Moved by: Paul Gott  
Seconded by: Glen Cheverie

VOTE ON MOTION 385:

UNANIMOUS

(8:30)

**8.3 Appointments to Hiring and Appointments Committee:**

Robert Douglas stated that according to the policy passed by the Board of Directors, the Hiring and Appointments Committee is comprised of two Co-Presidents and three Directors. It was agreed that the same committee would interview all candidates for each position, but that more than one committee would be struck because of the time commitment required to interview candidates for all the positions at this time.

MOTION 386:

WHEREAS several Directors are absent from this meeting because of religious observances,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the appointments to the Hiring and Appointments Committee be dropped from the agenda of this meeting.

Moved by: Glen Cheverie  
Seconded by: Jaime Yip

VOTE ON MOTION 386:

6/9/4 Defeated

## MOTION 387:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a Hiring and Appointments Committee be struck to deal with the Handbook Editor position only.

Moved by: Maxine Clarke  
Seconded by: Shawn O'Hara

## Discussion:

Maxine Clarke stressed how important it was to have this position filled as soon as possible because it was becoming increasingly late in the year for work to begin on the handbook. Three Directors volunteered to serve on this committee: Paul Gott, Andrew Madsen, and Andreas Seibert.

VOTE ON MOTION 387:

17/0/2 Carried

**8.4 ECA Referendum and General Assembly re Fee Imposition:**

Karen Takacs requested that this Item be added to the Agenda because the undergraduate representatives on the Board of Governors wished to present a motion to the Board of Governors at their meeting this week asking the Board of Governors to postpone the implementation of this fee.

MOVE to add "ECA Referendum and General Assembly re Fee Imposition" as Item 8.4 to the Agenda for the 62nd Meeting of the Board of Directors.

Moved by: Robert Douglas  
Seconded by: Alex MacPherson

VOTE:

17/0/2 Carried

## MOTION 388:

WHEREAS there was almost no publicity for the referendum, and the executive of ECA acknowledged this problem in a letter published in The Link on March 31st, and even the questions themselves were not made known until the day before voting took place; and

WHEREAS Patrick Douek, an undergraduate student, has launched a formal complaint with the Legislative Council of AEGIC contesting the referendum; and

WHEREAS ECA acknowledged that there were problems with the referendum and therefore held a general assembly to ratify the referendum questions; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the CUSA Board of Directors, representing all undergraduate students including those enrolled in Engineering and Computer Science, urges the Board of Governors to postpone the implementation of the \$50 donation until the Legislative Council of AEGIC rules on the complaint against the referendum procedure and until a proper referendum is held on the question.

Moved by: Alex MacPherson  
Seconded by: Andrew Madsen

Discussion:

Karen Takacs explained that the ECA general elections were held two weeks ago, and there were three referendum questions planned in conjunction with the elections. However, one student lodged a formal complaint with the Legislative Council of AEGIC (and no response has been received from them to date on this matter) objecting to the referenda because the questions were not adequately publicized in advance and because there were no public debates on the issues nor was any effort made to encourage a discussion of the issues by setting up "yes" and "no" committees. Because of the protests over a lack of information, two of the three referendum questions were dropped from the ballot. The remaining question dealt with a \$50 fee increase. However, the question was completely meaningless because it did not mention whether the fee was obligatory or whether it would be imposed this year. ECA scheduled a general assembly to inform students on the fee and to ratify the fee as well as to debate the issues of direct media funding and membership in ANEQ (the two referendum questions that were dropped from the ballot). Only slightly more than 50 students attended the general assembly. Karen Takacs closed her comments by stating that CUSA should not be opposed to the ECA deciding what fees to levy or how to spend them, but that CUSA has a responsibility to see that the principals of justice are followed and that the interests of the majority of students are protected. Andrew Boosamra asked how the fees would be spent. Louis Hotte explained that the ECA would have a committee comprised of professors, students and alumni specifically set up for this purpose. He also commented that there were 59 students at the general assembly which may not seem like many students when one looks at actual numbers, but in terms of percentage of students the attendance at this general assembly would be on a par with general assemblies held by CUSA. He further stated that "yes" and "no" committees could have been established, adding that he put out information on one issue that he was against. Cherine Hamam asked how ECA would be bound by this motion if ECA is not a part of CUSA, and Karen Takacs responded that the motion is directed at the Board of Governors, adding that CUSA representatives on the Board of Governors are the official representatives of all undergraduate students. Maxine Clarke asked what the consequences would be if this was not dealt with at the Board of Governors. Karen Takacs responded



that if the Board of Governors agrees with the motion then the fee would be postponed until a referendum could be held, probably in October. Paul Gott asked what information was made available to the students. Louis Hotte responded that not much information was available at the time of the referendum which is why the general assembly was held. He added that a letter from the Dean was being sent to all students.

MOVE to call the question.

Moved by: Cherine Hamam  
Seconded by: Glen Cheverie

VOTE: 15/2/1 Carried

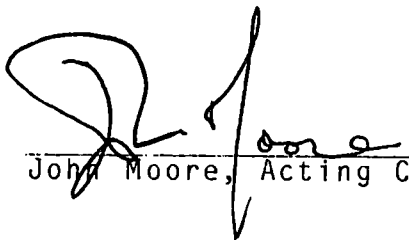
VOTE ON MOTION 388: 13/4/1 Carried

#### 9 Date of Next Meeting:

Acting Chairperson John Moore announced that the next meeting would be held on Wednesday, April 22nd at 8:00 p.m., at Sir George Williams Campus, Room TBA.

#### 10 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

  
John Moore, Acting Chairperson

  
Jo Howard, Recording Secretary